

Ninety-Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2003 Committee Statement LB 111

Hearing Date: January 23, 2003

Committee On: Judiciary

Introducer(s): (Mossey, Brown, Cunningham, Erdman, Friend, Hudkins, Quandahl, Smith,

Wehrbein, Thompson, Burling, Synowiecki)

Title: Change penalty for possession of child pornography

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

X Advanced to General File

Advanced to General File with Amendments

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

7 Yes Senators Brashear, Foley, Mines, Mossey, Pedersen, Quandahl,

Tyson

No

Present, not voting

1 Absent Senator Chambers

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Ray Mossey Introducer

Lee Polikov Nebraska County Attorneys Association

Doug Chonis Omaha Police Department

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 111 changes the penalty classification of possessing child pornography from a Class II misdemeanor to a Class IV felony.

A Class II misdemeanor carries a penalty of up to six months incarceration, up to \$1000 fine, or both. A Class IV felony carries a penalty of up to five years incarceration, up to \$10,000 fine, or both.

Senator Kermit A. Brashear, Chairperson